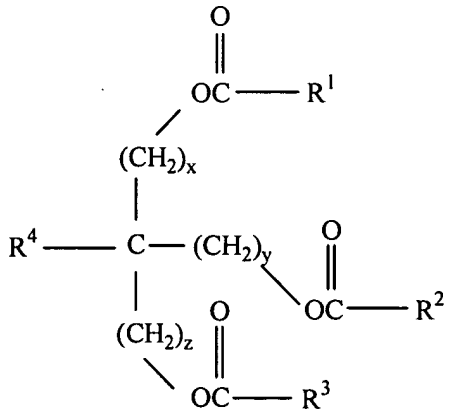
AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A low phosphorous or phosphorous-free lubricating internal combustion engine oil composition consisting essentially of (a) a major amount of at least one Group II base oil of lubricating viscosity; (b) a minor deposit-inhibiting effective amount of at least one polyol ester of the general formula



wherein R^1, R^2 and R^3 are independently an aliphatic hydrocarbyl moiety have from 4 to 24 carbon atoms, R^4 is hydrogen or an aliphatic hydrocarbyl moiety having 1 to 10 carbon atoms and x, y and z are the same or different and are integers from 1 to 6; wherein the minor deposit-inhibiting effective amount of the polyol ester is about 1 wt. % to about 5 wt. %, based on the total weight of the composition; (c) a diphenyl amine antioxidant; and (d) at least one additive selected from the group consisting of a metal detergent, rust inhibitor, dehazer, demulsifier, metal deactivator, friction modifier, viscosity index improver, extreme pressure agent, pour point depressant, antifoaming agent, co-solvent, package compatibiliser, metallic combustion improver, anti-knock compound, anti-icing additive, ashless dispersant and dye, and wherein the composition has a phosphorous content not exceeding 0.08% by weight and a sulfur content not exceeding 0.2% by weight, based on the total weight of the composition.

2. (Currently Amended) The low phosphorous or phosphorous-free lubricating internal combustion engine oil composition of Claim 1, wherein the base oil of lubricating viscosity is at least two Group II base oils of lubricating viscosity ~~comprised of a mineral base oil~~.

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Previously Presented) The low phosphorous or phosphorous-free lubricating internal combustion engine oil composition of Claim 1, wherein R^1, R^2 and R^3 of the polyol ester are independently selected from a saturated or unsaturated aliphatic hydrocarbyl moiety having from 6 to 10 carbon atoms.

5. (Previously Presented) The low phosphorous or phosphorous-free lubricating internal combustion engine oil composition of Claim 1, wherein R^1, R^2 and R^3 are independently selected from a saturated or unsaturated aliphatic moiety having from 6 to 10 carbon atoms, R^4 is an aliphatic hydrocarbyl moiety having 1 to 6 carbon atoms and x, y and z are 1.

6-8. (Cancelled)

9. (Previously Presented) The low phosphorous or phosphorous-free lubricating internal combustion engine oil composition of Claim 1, wherein the composition has an SAE Viscosity Grade of 0W, 0W-20, 0W-30, 0W-40, 0W-50, 0W-60, 5W, 5W-20, 5W-30, 5W-40, 5W-50, 5W-60, 10W, 10W-20, 10W-30, 10W-40, 10-50, 15W, 15W-20, 15W-30 or 15W-40.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Previously Presented) The low phosphorous or phosphorous-free lubricating internal combustion engine oil composition of Claim 1, having a phosphorous content not exceeding 0.05 wt. %, based on the total weight of the composition.

12. (Previously Presented) The low phosphorous or phosphorous-free lubricating internal combustion engine oil composition of Claim 5, having a phosphorous content not exceeding 0.05 wt. %, based on the total weight of the composition.

13-29. (Cancelled)

30. (Previously Presented) The low phosphorous or phosphorous-free lubricating internal combustion engine oil composition of Claim 1, wherein the diphenyl amine antioxidant is a dialkylated diphenyl amine antioxidant.

31-32. (Cancelled)